IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named Inventor: MAURICE, Thibaut et al. Confirmation No.: 7058

Application No.: 10/716,900 Patent No.: 6,838,358 B2

Filing Date: November 18, 2003 Patent Date: January 4, 2005

For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A Attorney Docket No.: 4717-12200

WAFER

SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.501

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following references were recently brought to the attention of the applicants:

U.S. Patent/Publication Documents

6,071,795 2003/0064569 A1

Foreign Patent Documents

JP 10-200079 A, English machine translation

A Copy of the foreign patent document is attached.

The applicants and their attorneys and representatives have reviewed these references and confirm that they are not material to the patentability of the present claims. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that these references and this letter simply be placed in the file of this application.

No fee is believed to be due for this response. Should any fees be required, however, please charge such fees to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814.

Respectfully submitted,

 $\frac{12/19/08}{\text{Date}}$

Allan A. Fanucci, Reg. No. 30,256

WINSTON & STRAWN LLP Customer No. 28765 212-294-3311